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Mi Casa
Jan 23^d 1859.

My dear Child

I am pleased to see you have become more composed, and that Mr. Benson, has something in prospect to keep his mind in constant employment. It is our duty to forget the past and look forward to the future, with pleasing anticipations; it has been my motto, and it has supported me under all our difficulties, and afflictions.

Say to Mr. Benson, whether that, or myself, can take it on ourselves, to act in the mine business, but when James comes I hope he will take it on himself, to do something for the family, either free, or lease. As soon as Mr. Benson, hears from California, do let me know, as I feel anxious about James. You say I must write how I am. My appetite is returning gradually, but I am

but I still take bitars, and am obliged to take
medicine every few days to keep my bowels
open, but on the whole I am doing well.
I stand the cold badly, suffer with icy feet
after bathing so often with hot mustard, but
sit about the house in order to make my
blood circulate well. Kate has not been well,
but today working on her machine for me making
my undergarments, the father has been with
us a week, looking better than I ever saw him,
he has come on to attend to Kate's business.
He leaves day after tomorrow, for Elliswood,
and returns here before going home to bear
the cold badly, after leaving Florida. Kate does
not return with him, he another will visit her
on her way north to see her sister, in the Spring.
I have just received a letter from Mrs. Cook.
She is in Charleston this week. She mentions
the death of Doctor Peter Gaillard, and his
brother is Saml W. Rags, and says the
family feel their loss keenly, particularly
Mr. Gaillard, his mother, Peter was her idol.
I have never known so many deaths in my

hope. Mr & Mrs Tanbyke have just left us,
they have a fine wife, a young lady, which Mr
Rice, sent them from New York, and with whom
they are much pleased, she received a letter recently
from New York mentioning Mr Rice's arrival and
success in California. He is a Protestant teacher in
a school, and gets eleven hundred dollars, and
his wife. He was solicited to take charge of the
common school, but refused to do so this year.
He will no doubt make a fortune.

I have received the shoes safe by Express,
but got me nothing about the price. Let
me know what they cost. I purchased
him a delightful buckskin boot, lined
with cotton flannel, buttoned up in front
brought him by Mr Ball House, they
fit me nicely. They are also water
proof, so it is very well you did not get
the boots in Washington.

Tell Mr Clemons, as to Mr Gracie, I can say no
more, but wait and see if he will send the
long story. I see by the papers Mr Gracie has
your father's biography ready for the press.

I hope it will give well, so that he can pay
 as what is due from the work, as I suppose
 he writes for himself. If Mr. Benson would
 write Mr. Rice, he could tell where James is,
 he had better write him, immediately, as I
 am so anxious he should be here at this
 time on many accounts.

Kath and Mr. Pike join me in love to all.

Your ever devoted friend

Florida Calhoun